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**OBJECT-HANDLING DEVICE, OBJECT-HANDLING INSTALLATION AND
OBJECT-HANDLING METHOD.**

5 The invention relates to a device (11) for handling
an article (13) such as a coil spring, and to an
installation for handling an article. The device (11)
comprises a body (10) having an internal housing (12)
suitable for containing said article (13), said housing
10 (12) presenting at least one open end (10A, 10B) and a
constriction zone (14) that is suitable in a stable
state, in which said constriction zone (14) presents a
reduce dimension (D14X) that is reduced in a first
direction (X), for retaining said article (13) inside the
15 body (10), and for being deformed to adopt a deformed
configuration enabling said article (13) to be inserted
into the housing (12) or enabling said article (13) to be
extracted from the housing (12). The installation
includes force-application means for acting on the device
20 to change it between its stable state and its deformed
configuration.